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SUBJECT

Maintenance charge, Vani Vilas Water Works.

1 From the Asstt. to the Resident with Municipal Council No. 2 dt. 8.7.08. Requests to transfer the management of the water works to the Municipality on the terms stated therein

2 To Dy. Chief Engr. & Secy. to Govt., P.W.D. No. 2606—14 dt. 12-8-08 orders that acceptance of the offer dt. 5-8-08 from the Municipality, P.W.D. in the matter be communicated to the Asstt.

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From The President of the Mysore City Municipal Council

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FILE HEADING

Charge of the Vani Vilas Water-works

From

The President, Mysore City Municpl Council

No 2 Dated 8-7-08 Received 10-7-08

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER

States with refce to G.O Nos 1612-5/Rul 152-07-6 & 11-5-08 that Mysore City Municpty is unable to bear the extra charge of Rs 3000/- towards the maintenance of the Vani Vilas water-works and requests that Govt may be pleased either to meet the amount from Provincial Funds or to retransfer the water-works to the City Municpty for being ~~NOTES AND ORDERS~~ maintained at a less cost than at present, and that if neither of the alternatives can be granted, the distribution of water in the City may at least be placed under the Municpl Council's control

Notes and orders

The history of the Vani Vilas water-works in gen'l

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26 — précis in the Chief Engineer's, attached to Rul File No 478-05.

The control of the water-works was transferred from the Mysore City Municipality to the P W D as directed in G O No 1369-73/Rul 478-05-6 & 11-8-06 The annual contribution payable by the Municipality for maintenance of the water-works X was tentatively fixed at Rs 12,000/- the Board having expressed their inability to pay more, and the Board were asked to find means for paying the sum of Rs 5,000/- proposed by the Chief Engineer to be set apart for as a sinking fund for renewals, &c.

3 — In G.O. No 11612-15 & 11 5 08 the annual contribution was ordered to be raised to Rs 15,000/- i e Rs 3000 more than the amount originally prescribed The Pres[dt] was also requested to report the sources from which the excess amount of Rs 3,000/- could be met and it was observed that the average per head of taxation in Mysore is much lower than in Bangalore and that the Municipality should endeavour to improve its revenue

under disposal — The President now states that the results of the transfer of the management of the water works

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are

(1) that in addition to the annual maintenance charge of Rs 12,000/- the Municipality have been spending double that amount for working the supplementary steam plant for the temporary improvement of the water-supply to the city and that in spite of this, full-time supply throughout the year is not assured,

(2) that the charges on account of establishment for the supervision and distribution of water have increased to a large extent,

(3) that the D.P.W has been attending only to the supervision of Public Fountains and not to the supervision of private house-service connections wherein a large quantity of water is being wasted thus necessitating the maintenance of a separate establishment by the Municipality, and

(4) that the D P W agency not being under the control of the Municipality, the Council is unable to afford immediate relief in cases of complaints about non-supply, repairs &c.

As regards point (1) it is submitted that the charges sanctioned out of Municipal funds for 1907-08 on account of water-supply to the Mysore City are -

1 Annual maintenance charge	Rs. 15,000
2. For temporary improvement of the water-supply to the City	24 037
3) For the electrification of the Belagola Water-works pumping plant	25,000

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A sum of Rs 2,000/- being the savings from the grant for the temporary improvement of the water-supply and the full amount of Rs 25,000/- sanctioned for electrification were resumed last year and the net amount spent on account of water supply was Rs 37,037 The Municipal Board were spending annually a

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sum of Rs 6,360/- for the maintenance of the water-works when they were under the control of the City Municipality There was no expenditure then on account of temporary improvement of the water-supply

The President's complaint about ~~deficiency~~ deficiency in giving full-time supply is expected to be removed when the electrification of the Belagola pumping plant is completed about the end of this year The Chief Engineer has applied that the full amount of Rs 50000/- sanctioned on this account may be placed at his disposal and this reference is being dealt with separately

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The 4 other points mentioned by the President will remain the same even after the electrification of the pumping machinery is completed

The financial condition

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City Municipality, as per current year's budget estimates, is as follows –

Opening balance	—	– 1,195
Receipts	–	+ 1,66,520
Total		+ 1,65,325
Expenditure		– 1,65,072
Closing balance		+ 253

The estimates include a provision of Rs 15,000/- on account of water maintenance and Rs 5,000/- for renewals, &c.

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May this be forwarded unofficially to the Chief Engineer and Secy to Govt in the D P W for favour of opinion ?

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Yes please

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Forwarded to the Chief Engr and Secretary to Govt in the D-P W for favour of opinion

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To,

The Secretary to Government,

General and Revenue Departments

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There is no use in again going into the back history of the Mysore City Water Supply, which subject has been discussed and rediscussed so often

2 The Mysore City Water Works were opened in April 1896 and the management of the Pumping and head works was under the P W Department while the entire distribution was under the Municipality This divided control having been considered un-satisfactory, the Municipality were given the entire working management of their water supply from July 1901, and it was palpably evident when the works were again transferred to the P W D, that (1) the pumping plant which was of a com-paratively obsolete pattern was totally incapable of supplying the needs of the town then the water

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in the Devaroy Channel was low, and barely capable of pumping the required supply even when the channel was running full To supplement the supply the Municipality used to utilize unfiltered water from the Kukerhalli reservoir when any was available; and as this water was found to be at times seriously infected with cholera germs which was on the face of it most dangerous to the health of the town, Government sanctioned the purchase of a steam plant to supplement the supply when neces-sary and the Kukerhalli tank was once for all abandoned as a source of supply This latter source of supply being thus unavailable, if it had not been for the supplemetary steam-plant the City would have been in dire straits for its water supply in the dry weather The Municipality should have annually pro-vided a considerable sum as a reserve fund for the renewal of the pumping plant, but they neglected to do so, expecting , it is presumed, that Govern-ment would give them a present of a new plant when the old one had worn out

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The rising main was found to be in good condition

(3) The filters were found to be in very bad condi-
-tion, evidently owing to culpable neglect Steps
have been taken to remedy this, one filter has been
thoroughly overhauled and renewed, and another is
now in course of renewal, and the other 2 will pro-
-bably be renewed in the course of the year Only
1 filter at a time can be dealt with as three are
necessary for the supply to the town

(4) The 2 storage tanks leaked considerably, and
they have both been overhauled and replastered and
are now rendered water-tight, or very nearly so

(5) The distribution mains throughout the City
were found to be in a most disgraceful state of
neglect , and there was an enormous waste of water
So called charitable fountains had been set up close
to the donor's front doors, public drinking fountains
had been erected haphazardly all over the town
without any system or proper control The branch
connections to most of these fountains were found to
be faulty and leaky, partly owing to the use of
inferior pipes, partly to thoroughl bad construction
and jointing &c, and partly to bad design Early
steps were taken by the P W D to begin and remedy
this state of things and 50 fountains had been
renewed up to end of June last, and provision has
been made for the renewal of 100 more in this
year's budget

I may here state that ever since the work of
renewing these branch connections and redistribut n

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the public fountains was put in hand there has been nothing but opposition of a somewhat irritating nature from the Municipality, instead of the co-operation and help which one ought to expect During the last Dasara, the President having reported that certain fountains had been moved to the detri-ment of the people &c, I inspected these in company with the Sanitary Commissioner, the President, the Deputy Chief Engineer, and the Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Stores Division, and we came to the conclusion that the complaint was groundless we then formed a Committee as under

The Deputy Commissioner who is also President of the Municipality,
Mr Maconochie

Health Officer of the City,

Executive Engineer, Water Supply & Stores Dn,

and they were asked to undertake the scrutiny of all proposals of the Executive Engineer, water Supply and Stores Division, for the removal and altering of the fountains and approve of them before work was carried out

A portion of Executive Engineer's programme of proposals for the current year was sent to this Committee 2 months ago for scrutiny, but has not yet been returned excepting by one member
Mr Maconochie

6 Private House Connections, about which the President has raised a question in his letter of the 8th ultimo, it has been found impossible so far, owing to the amount of other work in connection with the water supply already referred to in this Note, to systematically deal with these house connections

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connections, but in all cases in which house owners have themselves asked for repairs &c, I believe the Executive Engineer has complied with their re-quisitions

The question of these House Connections is a difficult one. House connections were originally laid by the City Municipality at owners cost The material used was plain wrought iron of inferior quality, and no doubt a great many of these connections will require entire renewal by this time, or at any rate more or less so On the other hand, unless the matter is specially taken up by Government, the re-newals can only be done at the cost of the owners, the matter at present standing legally between the Municipality and the owners Any new house connections asked for by the Municipality are laid by the Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Stores Division, in good galvanized iron piping, the owner paying cost in advance

II— A project for a new Electrical Plant at Belagola has been sanctioned by Government, and it is expected to be in operation before next March and I hope there will be no further complaint of insufficiency of supply

III As regards the question of handing over any portion of the operation of the water supply of the City of Mysore to the Municipality, I consider any such proposals out of the question, as from the past experience I am perfectly well satisfied that any control which they may be given at the present time will be to the detriment of efficiency, and impede

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impede the operations now in hand to bring the system into proper order That the cost of working the plant is so much higher now than when under the management of the Municipality is simply due to the fact that the annual grants given by them was so much short of requirements that the plant &c was going rapidly to absolute ruin, whereas now the necessary works to again bring the plant &c into efficient order necessitate enhanced outlay

I am given to understand that there is any amount of waste of water by the private consumers for want of check or restrictions of any kind over the supply given them There are no meters fixed and consequently the consumption in garden houses is enormous, particularly during summer There is no doubt that many house owners irrigate their gardens and grow vegetables in their compound At present every house that is given a tap pays an annual water cess of Rs 25 and Rs 15, for one inch and ½ inch service respectively, and the receipts therefrom must be comparatively small as there are at present only about 200 houses to which house service has been given For the small fee levied, these consumers are given unlimited supply and I would strongly urge the necessity of fixing meters to all the existing connections and thus limit consumption according to rules in force This system will certainly act as a deterrent in checking waste If the Municipality cannot afford the funds required, they cannot expect an efficient water supply It should certainly endeavour to supplement its resources by the imposition of a general water

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tax as ordered in Government Proceedings No.6110-1/M1 340-06-3 of 24th December 1907 If the Government are satisfied that the finances of the Municipality cannot meet the extra cost, they may as a matter of grace, sanction a grant-in-aid of Rs. 5,000 to meet the cost of meters required.

Secretary to the Government of Mysore, P.W.D.

Bangalore
5-8-1908

The remarks of the C.W. does not entitles to favourable consideration. This may be communicated to the M.C. Council, who may be informed that their representation cannot be complied with.

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The Chief Engineer's letter may be sent to the President

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These have not been received back yet.

Office note together with the Chief Engrs
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The City Municipal Office,
Mysore.

Dated 8th July 1908.

From

M.Kantharaj Urs Esquire, B.A.

President, City Municipal Commission,
Mysore

To

K.S.Chendrasekhara Iyer Esquire, B.A.,B.L.

Secretary to the Govt of Mysore,
Rev & Gen. Depts.

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Sir,

3 With reference to Government Proceedings No 11612-5/Ml 152-07 -6 dated 11th May 1908 sanctioning an excess charge of Rs.3,000 to Mysore Water Works and requesting to report the source from which --- this excess charge can be met &c , I have the honor to submit herewith for favourable consideration and orders of Government a copy of the resolution of the Board on the subject I take this opportunity to bring to the notice of Government that when the Board resolved to --- hand over to the D.P W the water supply scheme including the ----- Kukkarahally tank they have distinctly stated that they could not --- afford to grant more than Rs 12,000/- per annum and requested the --- Government to make better arrangements for full time supply to the whole City Although the Municipality has been made to bear double the cost of annual maintenance for working the supplementary steam plant for the temporary improvement of the water supply to the City since the transfer of the Water supply of the City to the D.P.W in addition to the above said Rs 12,000/- not no satisfactory arrangement

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arrangements were made to give full time supply to the City throughout the year

As the financial condition of the Municipality is by no means satisfactory at present, I beg that you will be so good as to move the Government to sanction this and all other extra costs being met annually from the Provincial Funds or to retransfer the water supply works to the City Municipality for being maintained at a less cost as recommended by the Board If this does not meet with the approval of Government, I —— would suggest that at least the distribution of water in the City may be transferred to the control of the Municipal Council.

Though the establishment for the supervision of distribution of water has increased to a large extent since the water works were transferred to the D.P.W complaints about proper supply, leakages &c , are numerous and that department has been attending only to the supervision of public fountains and not to private house connections. It is not possible for the Municipality to employ separate agency for the supervision of —— house service connections by which large quantity of water is being waste

The existing D.P.W. agency not being under the control of the — Municipality, the Council is unable to afford immediate relief in cases of complaints about non-supply, repairs and such like things.

Under these circumstances I beg that one of the alternative —— proposals may kindly be sanctioned .

I have the honor to be,

sir,

your most obedient servant,

G. Hanumantha Rao

For Chairman

HWP

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Proceedings of the ordinary meeting of the civil ——

Committee for the City of Mysore held in the Parasu Raj Memorial Hall at 7-30 A.M. on Saturday the 30th May 1925.

Present.

(1) C.Hanumanta Rao Esquire. (Vice President).
(2) B.Subb Rao Esquire. (Executive Engineer, Mysore Division).
(3) K.V.Krishnaswamy Iyer Esquire. (Civil Surgeon, Mysore).
(4) M.Venkata-Krishnama Esquire.
(5) T.C.Rangiengar Esquire.
(6) M.Narasimhaswamy Esquire.
(7) K.Srinivasaiah Esquire.
(8) Madanna Esquire.
(9) Ambla Ammah ——— Esquire.
(10) Tiruvengada Mudaliar Esquire.
(11) Subbanna Esquire.
(12) V.Krishnamaji Urs Esquire.

Absent.

(1) M.Kantharaj Urs Esquire. (President).
(2) T.Nair Esquire (Principal, Maharaja's College).
(3) Syed Yahya Sahib Esquire (Engineer, Mysore City).
(4) K.Chandrashekharaiah Esquire.
(5) Syed Mahadig Saheb Esquire.
(6) Syed Ali Saheb Esquire.
(7) Rahimatulla Ahmed Sait Esquire.
(8) Kantaraj Urs (M) Esquire.

XIII Government Proceedings No 11613-5/M1 152-07-6 dated 11th May 25 sanctioning an excess charge of Rs 3,000/- to Mysore Water Works and requesting to report the source from which this excess charge can be met and further to make endeavour to improve the Municipal revenue.

Resolved that as the Municipal Council had made over the Water Works to the D P W on the distinct understanding that it would bear only a cost of Rs 12,000/- per annum for their maintenance and that as the D P W wants additional cost of Rs 3,000/- which the Municipal —— Council is unwilling to bear, Government be requested to transfer the Management of the water works to the Municipality.

(sd) C Hanumanta Rao

Vice President

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Date of issue 12-9-08

ned by Ven K Rao

READ— Letter No 2 dated the 8th July 1908 from the President of the Bangalore City Municipal Council submitting, with reference to G O No 11625 Inam 152-07-6 dated the 11th May 1908, a copy of the resolution of the Council dated the 30th May 1908 in the matter and stating that as the financial condition of the Municipality is by no means satisfactory all charges incurred over

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over

SUBJECT

over Rs 12000/- the Contribution payable from the Municipal Funds, for the maintenance of the Kari Kelas Waterworks the paid out of the State Funds and that if this be not possible, the latter works or at least the Distribution works may be retransferred to the Control of the Municipal Council.

2. Note (Gazette) dated the 5th August 1908 from the Secretary to the Govt in the P W D in the matter.

Order thereon. No 2606-7 dated 12-9-08
No 1440-08

Ordered that a copy of the Note above referred to be communicated to the President of the Mysore City Municipal Council.

Sd/-
for Secy
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To
The Pres[illegible] of the Mysore City Municipal Council
with a copy of the Note of the Govt P W D
" Secretary to the Govt in the P W D.

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